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(54) Control device for a high frequency surgical instrument

A control device for a high frequency surgical instrument is described which permits the activation of the high frequency generator for cutting and coagulation only as long as the active monopolar electrode and the neutral electrode and/or both poles of a bipolar electrode have conductive contact at the same time with the tissue of the same patient. This control device is developed into an automatic coagulation device.